

Friday Morning, Dec 20, 1887.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Transient Advertisements must be paid for in advance on insertion.

TO AGENTS.

Settlements of accounts will be required monthly, or the supply of papers will be discontinued. The daily and weekly issues will be furnished at the lowest cash rates and no exception will be made to this rule.

NOTICE

From and after this date Collections for Subscriptions to the DAILY BRITISH COLONIST will be made MONTHLY.

Auction Sales To-day.

J. A. McCREA, Wharf, street, will sell, at 11 o'clock, White Crockery, also, Balmine.
P. M. BACCHUS, Wharf, street, will sell, at 12 o'clock, the London Hotel.

For Local Items, see First Page.

The abundant grain crops of California and Oregon have found ready markets in Europe and the Eastern Provinces. Nearly every ship that reaches San Francisco is chartered to carry grain from that port to some port in the Orient, where the yield has been scant and prices are consequently high; and flour is shipped via the Isthmus by every steamship that leaves for New York, where flour commands \$13 and \$14 per barrel. Last year's crops in the United Kingdom were unusually deficient; and in some countries on the Continent the yield has been far below the average. In France, the wheat crop is reported at less than an average. Belgium and Spain are so deficient that they will be obliged to import, and Poland is in but a little better condition. Southern Russia will have large supplies, and in Hungary the yield is so heavy that even now the railroads are unable to move all the grain that offers, and store-houses are crowded. Turkey, on both sides of the Bosphorus, is said to have good crops, and will have something to spare. In Algeria (Africa) so scarce are all kinds of food that France is called upon loudly. Egypt is said to have abundant harvests; but perhaps there should be some abatement from this statement since they could scarcely be over the prostration caused by attempting to supply England with cotton. The famine in India is largely due to this same cause. In estimating probable prices of grain in Europe, the almost utter dearth of breadstuffs in many parts of the United States before the present harvest, is to be taken into account; for, before foreign shipments can reach former proportions, we must be supplied at home. It is a singular fact that in neither France, England, nor in the United States, are there old stocks of wheat on hand, and their next year's bread must come almost wholly from this year's crop.

The New York Herald, which once took the Fenian organization into its especial keeping, now denounces them as rogues and cowards. Of their last demonstration in New York, the Herald pitilessly remarks: "Those terrible fellows in buckram, the Fenians, are again poking the British lion in the sides and threatening him from Jones' Wood. A muster and parade of the 'grand army' of the Irish republic, consisting of a single brigade of 'centres' and patriotic recipients of the money of poor servant girls, took place on Tuesday, and was followed by libations of lager beer, and the usual hackneyed assurances of the wonderful power and prospects of the organization. The servant girls, however, taught by the experience of the last two years, keep aloof; and there is little to be got now when the Fenian hat is passed around. They have been humbugged too often not to know now that a flank movement by way of Jones' Wood is directed against their pockets and not against the 'cruel Sassanach.' At the last muster and bluster of the ferocious yet funny Fenians the organization was represented by the usual set of gentlemen, gamins, poets, adventurers, filibusters, saints and sinners, who jump up like a 'Jack-in-the-box' whenever a policeman is beaten or a prisoner rescued across the ocean. But their race is run, as with Archbishop McCloskey and his clergy against them, their raids on the hard earnings of their poor, honest fellow-countrymen in this city have been effectually stopped.

Prejudging a Case.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—It is no doubt a wise and salutary principle which the conductors of every respectable newspaper have laid down for their own guidance, viz: to refrain from all comments upon any case pending in a Court of Justice that would tend to prejudice the proper administration of that justice; and though it is only respectable journals that consider themselves amenable to this law, still I was not a little astonished upon reading the extraordinary article—an article evidently the result of official inspiration—which the editor of the British Columbian has this morning presented to his readers upon

a case recently decided in the Supreme Court here, and upon which another trial is still pending—the case of Hamly vs. Baronovich.

The editor of that paper begins by saying, "The defendant, a person who enjoys the reputation of having more than once supplied our coast Indians with fire-water which had never paid duties to her Majesty," &c. What that reputation has to do with the case at present before the Court is more than I can understand. The law implies that every man is innocent until proved guilty. We are told that British laws and British juries have to do, and to do only, with the evidence brought before them. It is nothing what Baronovich has done, or has been supposed to do; it is the evidence and that alone, as laid before the jury, upon which they must form an opinion.

The Columbian says this evidence is clear and conclusive. Let us see what this clear and conclusive evidence is. The first witness is a man employed by defendant about the schooner, who becomes informer and, as such, is entitled to a part of the penalty. He states that he saw Baronovich land three kegs of liquor at Kithkathla. Peter Dadavich, another hand aboard the schooner, states that the schooner did not call at Kithkathla at all. Further evidence being required, two Indians were sent for and brought here by a promise of thirty blankets to one and thirty-two blankets to the other. Upon their arrival, Nanovich, the informer, having overhauled his memory, stated the liquor was not sent ashore in kegs, but was carried ashore by Indians, in buckets. The Indians accept the second version of Nanovich's story and they also saw it carried away in buckets; they also testified that they had seen Baronovich there the year before, when it is well known he was in Europe; not only that, but Baronovich was never confronted with these Indians in order that they might identify him as the man they had seen there. They acknowledged themselves unable to distinguish one schooner from another; all they knew about the matter was that the man's name was "Charlie," and consequently Charlie must be Baronovich. Why, sir, for 30 blankets apiece, I could furnish a hundred Indians ready to swear to anything and everything. Such is the "clear and conclusive" evidence of the Columbian, and because a Victoria jury refused to convict a man upon such flimsy evidence as that, the editor of that delectable sheet works himself up into a furious passion with Victoria and everything Victorian. No jury would convict even a dog upon such evidence; and what is more—though it is a fact well known to every man from Burrard's Inlet to the Rocky Mountains—I do not believe that any jury upon no better evidence than that would be willing to convict that sapient editor himself of being the most servile sycophant that has ever dishonored and disgraced the honor and dignity of public journalism, by laying every vestige of his manhood prostrate in the dust, if that dust is only honored by bearing the footprint of "our excellent Governor." The Columbian says, "admitting as they did that the spirits were landed at Kithkathla, they were liable to no duty," &c. This is incorrect, the defence never admitted landing goods there; they claimed, if they had been landed there they were not liable to duty, and in order to show they were liable to duty, His Honor read from the Act of Union the clause which says that "the laws in force in the separate Colonies of British Columbia and Vancouver Island respectively, at the time of Union taking effect, shall, until it is otherwise provided by lawful authority, remain in force—save only that the laws relative to the Revenue of Customs in force in British Columbia at the time of the Union taking effect shall, until it is otherwise provided by lawful authority, extend and apply to Vancouver Island." With the highest respect for the judgment of Chief Justice Needham, I submit to be considered one of the "weak," "stupid" or "ill-informed" minds, incapable of understanding that language to mean any such thing. I cannot see in that language any warrant, either expressed or implied, for the collection of duties upon goods carried from one part of the Colony to another. Whether it was just and equitable to do so, is another question. I have already taken up too much of your space, my object being simply to direct public attention to the outrageous attack by the British Columbian, on behalf of the Government, upon the verdict of a jury in a case still pending, and in which the Government is plaintiff. One man against a Government is surely entitled to at least

FAIR PLAY.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Excellent Reviewers.—The resources of medicine and chemistry were long and fruitlessly tried before they yielded a remedy which could overcome disorders of the stomach and nerves, till Professor Holloway discovered his purifying and tonic Pills. They are the safest and surest correctives of indigestion, heartburn, flatulency, torpidity of the liver, twitches, nervous fancies, despondency, low spirits, and declining strength. Holloway's Pills supercede all erroneous actions in the body, and so strengthen and support the system, that disease departs, and leaves the patient little, if at all shaken. This is the grand aim and object of medical art—to regulate disordered functions without damaging the constitution by the remedy, and admirably this end is attained by Holloway's Pills.

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In the Supreme Court of Civil Justice of
Vancouver Island, B.C.

In the Matter of the Assignment of Ernst Picht,
BEARING DATE THE 26th DAY OF
November, A.D. 1887, made and executed by and
between Ernst Picht, of New Westminster, British Columbia, Distiller, of the one part, and Pro per Greiley and John Pivro Fittero, of Victoria, Vancouver Island, British Columbia, Trustees for themselves and the rest of the creditors of the said Ernst Picht of the other part, being a deed or instrument whereby the said Ernst Picht conveyed all his estate and effects absolutely to the said Pro per Greiley and John Pivro Fittero, to be applied and administered for the benefit of the creditors of the said Ernst Picht in like manner as if the said Ernst Picht had been at the date of the said deed duly adjudged a bankrupt, was on the 19th day of December, A.D. 1887, and at the hour of three o'clock p.m., on said day brought into my office for registration, and was duly registered pursuant to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Act, 1862.

St. Nicholas Hotel,
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This Establishment

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THE ROOMS HAVE ALL BEEN
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AMPHITHEATRE.

THIS EVENING,
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Last Performance!

COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT
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Mr Bartholomew,

UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF
SIR JAS. DOUGLAS, K.C.B.,

On which occasion the whole strength of the
VICTORIA AMATEURS

WILL AGAIN APPEAR!

For particulars, see programmes.
The Box Office will be open on Friday, from 11 to 3, when seats can be secured. Prices as usual.

St. John's Day,

Friday, the 27th Day of December, 1887

Annual Masonic Ball,
UNDER THE PATRONAGE
OF THE
PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE
Of British Columbia, R.S.

VANCOUVER LODGE, NO. 421, WILL
celebrate the above day by a Grand Ball, at the
Alhambra Hall, on Friday, the 27th December, 1887.

TICKETS,\$5.

Solomizing (Brethren in good standing are cordially
invited to attend. All applications for tickets by members
of the Order and their friends must be made to the Com-
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Policy-holders. Policies now in
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which lessen his annual payments,
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obligations cease, the dividends
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the premium; for the balance of
his life no further payments are
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small annual income from sur-
plusage of Dividend or Premium.

Endowment.—Insured,
aged 25; pays yearly \$59 85 for
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case of prior death; dividends, as
in former illustration, applied to
lessen payments or increase policy.

Note: This form of Insurance
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Prayer Books,
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All the articles in the Store
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All Fruit Cakes are made of
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100 boxes Muscatel Raisins
100 half and qr-bxs do
100 bbls Zante Currants
100 bxs Lemon Peel
100 do Orange Peel
100 do Citron Peel
100 do Almonds, shelled
100 do Jordan Almonds
100 do Figs
100 do Fresh Peaches, in tins
100 bbls Crushed (A) Sugar
100 bxs Glenfield Starch
100 bbls Split Peas
100 bxs Candles
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100 bbls Clear Mess Pork
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